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PCT/JP2004/005389)
Filed: Herewith)
For: HIGHLY PURE HAFNIUM)
MATERIAL, TARGET AND)
THIN FILM COMPRISING THE)
SAME AND METHOD FOR)
PRODUCING HIGHLY PURE)
HAFNIUM)

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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page two of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page three of this paper.

Remarks begin on page seven of this paper.